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**Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report**



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**Week Ending August 24, 2014**

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, August 24, 2014**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 8 percent very short, 47 percent short, 43 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 5 percent very short, 43 percent short, 50 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 66.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Calico Rock to 75.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Jonesboro. Highs ranged from 86.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 97.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Morrilton. The precipitation for this week was spread throughout the state, with the highest concentration in the south central part of the state with an average of 2.35 inches.

**Crop progress for week ending August 24, 2014**

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, dough	100	99	99	100
Corn, dent	97	94	95	98
Corn, mature	79	62	57	79
Corn, harvested	7	1	12	34
Cotton, setting bolls	100	99	100	100
Cotton, open bolls	15	6	8	22
Rice, headed	93	83	86	91
Rice, mature	24	6	15	36
Rice, harvested	1	0	2	8
Sorghum, coloring	95	86	82	92
Sorghum, mature	49	27	25	56
Sorghum, harvested	3	-	2	22
Soybeans, setting pods	94	87	88	91
Soybeans, turning color	27	14	12	19
Soybeans, dropping leaves	11	1	3	9
Soybeans, mature	3	-	1	5

**Crop condition for week ending August 24, 2014**

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn	0	7	21	49	23
Cotton	0	6	22	48	24
Hay, alfalfa	5	10	39	45	1
Hay, other	2	12	33	44	9
Livestock	1	2	19	66	12
Pasture	1	14	26	47	12
Rice	1	6	28	47	18
Sorghum	1	5	21	51	22
Soybeans	2	10	26	42	20

**Comments from Extension Agents**

“Soybean irrigation continued to be the main farm activity. Rice farmers continued to gradually terminate irrigation. A very limited amount of rice, corn, and grain sorghum was harvested.”

-Randy Chlapecka, Jackson County

“Draining rice for harvest; spraying milo for sugarcane aphids; watering soybeans; preparing for harvesting corn; monitoring soybeans for worms.”

-Hank Chaney, Randolph County

“Limited corn harvesting has begun. Yield reports are good. Wide spread draining of rice has occurred with some fields sampling taking place. Rotten neck blast is apparent in some rice fields. Beans continue to be irrigated and treated for worms. Sorghum is being treated for sugarcane aphids. Cotton is nearing cut out and irrigation termination. Hay continues to be baled.”

-Brent Griffin, Prairie County

“Corn and grain sorghum harvest has begun. Early planted rice fields are being drained. Early planted cotton has enough heat units to be safe from plant bugs. We had a large bollworm moth flight, but we aren't seeing any damage on our cotton and none so far in our soybeans.”

-Mitch Crow, Saint Francis County

“Hay is being baled. Received numerous calls concerning insect activity, including some regarding the kissing bug.”

-Beverly Brown, Dallas County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending August 24, 2014										
Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
<b>Northwest</b>										
Kingston	86.4	67.3	76.9	77.1	-0.3	0.95	1	NA	3.49	NA
Lead Hill	93.7	67.9	80.8	75.8	4.9	0.00	0	-0.65	2.23	-0.52
Winslow	88.0	71.6	79.8	NA	NA	0.03	1	NA	3.63	NA
Extreme/Average	89.4	68.9	79.1	76.5	2.3	0.33	1	-0.65	3.12	-0.52
<b>North Central</b>										
Calico Rock	93.6	66.7	80.1	76.5	3.7	0.15	2	-0.51	0.75	-2.07
Evening Shade	96.1	69.3	82.7	79.1	3.6	0.25	2	-0.37	0.48	-2.24
Mammoth Spring	95.6	67.6	81.6	76.6	5.0	0.00	0	-0.68	0.27	-2.44
Mtn Home	94.3	70.7	82.5	78.6	3.9	0.03	2	-0.69	1.07	-1.71
Mtn View	96.3	72.6	84.4	78.6	5.8	0.13	1	-0.64	1.60	-1.94
Extreme/Average	95.2	69.4	82.3	77.9	4.4	0.11	2	-0.58	0.83	-2.08
<b>Northeast</b>										
Corning	91.9	74.1	83.0	78.9	4.1	0.00	0	-0.57	1.03	-1.69
Jonesboro	95.4	75.0	85.2	79.0	6.2	0.47	2	-0.10	1.17	-1.40
Keiser	91.6	73.4	82.5	80.3	2.0	0.75	1	0.38	1.83	-0.46
Newport	92.0	73.0	82.5	79.9	2.6	0.39	2	-0.18	0.91	-1.63
Pocahontas	94.7	71.3	83.0	78.1	4.9	0.00	0	-0.74	0.57	-2.32
Searcy	93.4	72.6	83.0	80.2	2.6	0.65	2	0.25	0.92	-0.99
Extreme/Average	93.2	73.2	83.2	79.4	3.7	0.38	2	-0.16	1.07	-1.42
<b>West Central</b>										
Dardanelle	94.0	70.6	82.3	81.1	1.2	0.00	0	NA	2.08	NA
Mena	88.4	69.4	78.9	78.0	0.9	0.76	1	0.20	7.17	4.49
Waldron	90.7	68.0	79.4	78.7	0.7	0.29	1	-0.38	3.94	1.17
Extreme/Average	91.0	69.3	80.2	79.3	0.9	0.35	1	-0.09	4.40	2.83
<b>Central</b>										
Alum Fork	91.9	70.1	81.0	78.8	2.2	0.09	2	-0.57	1.12	-1.75
Cabot	93.6	69.2	81.4	80.3	1.1	0.58	1	0.09	1.97	-0.38
Conway	94.6	72.6	83.6	80.3	3.2	0.20	1	-0.44	1.77	-0.94
Hot Springs	91.3	72.9	82.1	81.6	0.5	0.27	2	-0.38	2.36	-0.58
Morrilton	97.0	70.7	83.9	79.6	4.2	0.02	1	-0.61	1.31	-1.15
Extreme/Average	93.7	71.1	82.4	80.1	2.2	0.23	2	-0.38	1.71	-0.96
<b>East Central</b>										
Brinkley	92.8	72.4	82.6	79.9	2.6	0.00	0	-0.33	0.70	-1.33
Des Arc	93.1	74.1	83.6	81.1	2.5	0.85	2	0.33	1.23	-1.04
Keo	91.4	71.6	81.5	80.0	1.5	0.81	2	0.37	2.26	0.29
Stuttgart	90.6	71.8	81.2	80.5	0.6	0.81	2	0.46	1.44	-0.54
West Memphis	92.0	73.6	82.8	80.4	2.4	0.00	0	-0.64	0.85	-1.84
Extreme/Average	92.0	72.7	82.3	80.4	1.9	0.49	2	0.04	1.30	-0.89
<b>Southwest</b>										
Ashdown	92.3	69.1	80.7	NA	NA	0.08	2	-0.50	2.53	0.18
Murfreesboro	89.4	67.6	78.5	78.7	-0.2	1.19	2	0.50	6.21	3.24
Nashville	93.1	70.1	81.6	82.3	-0.6	2.45	2	1.87	6.45	3.77
Extreme/Average	91.6	68.9	80.3	80.5	-0.4	1.24	2	0.62	5.06	2.40
<b>South Central</b>										
Camden	93.3	70.6	81.9	80.9	1.0	2.56	2	1.98	3.35	0.84
Fordyce	91.6	69.9	80.7	79.6	1.2	2.14	2	1.57	4.44	1.75
Extreme/Average	92.4	70.3	81.3	80.2	1.1	2.35	2	1.77	3.90	1.29
<b>Southeast</b>										
Crossett	92.4	69.6	81.0	80.2	0.8	0.26	1	-0.60	1.96	-1.31
Eudora	96.7	71.1	83.9	82.7	1.2	0.25	1	-0.55	1.82	-1.39
Pine Bluff	92.9	71.3	82.1	81.4	0.7	1.19	1	0.56	2.16	-0.97
Portland	90.5	69.5	80.0	80.9	-1.0	0.83	1	0.37	3.47	0.76
Rohwer	92.1	71.1	81.6	80.9	0.8	1.46	2	0.93	4.47	2.10
Extreme/Average	92.9	70.5	81.7	81.2	0.5	0.80	2	0.14	2.78	-0.16
<b>State</b>	92.4	70.6	81.5	79.5	1.9	0.71	1	0.11	2.63	0.06

DFN = Departure from Normal.  
Normal= Averaged Collected Data from the Years 1981-2010.  
NA = Not Available.